

Ayala re-opens; work continues on Riverside bridge

SANBAG re-opened Ayala Drive on October 21, following the completion of the Ayala bridge. Work started on the bridge in February and was completed on schedule.

Construction is continuing on the Riverside Avenue bridge, the last of five bridges to be built in the first phase of

work in Rialto. Bridges at Alder, Locust, Linden and Ayala are finished.

To complete the Riverside bridge, Yeager Skanska crews need to con-



Crews from Yeager Skanska form the back wall of the Riverside Avenue bridge in Rialto.

struct wing walls, backfill dirt along the walls, construct approach slabs and install barrier rail. A weekend closure will be required to connect the bridge with the street and to install traffic signals.

Contractors expect the work to be completed early next year, depending upon weather conditions. Work began in March.

Officials celebrate start of Route 210 in San Bernardino

Local officials marked the upcoming start of construction of Route 210 in San Bernardino. Rain forced the ceremony indoors at the Inland Empire Job Corps Center, north of the previously planned site at State Street.

Congressman Joe Baca, Assemblyman John Longville, County Supervi-

sors Paul Biane and Clifford Young, Mayor Judith Valles and Caltrans District 8 Director Anne Mayer all spoke about the importance of the project to the City of San Bernardino and to the region.

The Arroyo Valley High School Jazz Hawks Band performed, followed by a flag presentation by the San Bernardino Police and Fire Department Color Guard.



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Measure I passes with flying colors

Nearly 80% of county voters gave the nod November 2 to the renewal of Measure I, the half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements.

The vote will extend Measure I from 2010 to 2040, generating an estimated \$6 billion for freeways, interchanges, major and local streets, Metrolink service, public bus service and other projects to improve the efficiency of the area's transportation network.

Rialto voters were among the most supportive of the Measure I extension — 83.1% voted for the measure, behind only Colton (83.4%) and Grand Terrace (83.3%).

In the Rialto area,
Measure I will widen
Interstate 10 and improve interchanges at
Riverside, Cedar, Citrus
and Cherry, improve
major streets like Foothill
and Baseline and provide more than \$64 million for Rialto city street
improvements over the
30-year period.